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SUBJ: HILEX 7 OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP

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1. AT THE NOVEMBER 22 COUNCIL OPERATIONS EXERCISE COMMITTEE (COEC) MEETING (REFTEL REFERS), THE COMMITTEE AGREED TO ESTABLISH AN OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP TO IDENTIFY PROBLEM AREAS WHICH SHOULD BE EXERCISED IN HILEX DUE TO TAKE PLACE IN THE SPRING OF 1976. THE WORKING GROUP'S PROPOSALS COULD THEN CONSISTUTE A GUIDE FOR THE HILEX 7 HIGH LEVEL EXERCISE PLANNING GROUP IN DEVELOPING DETAILED EXERCISE ARRANGEMENTS.

2. MISSION PARTICIPATED IN THE OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP'S PREPARATION OF A DRAFT OUTLINE SCENARIO FOR HILEX 7 (NATO WORKING PAPER MSS/75/3 DATED JANUARY 22, 1975, POUCHED). IN GENERAL TERMS, THE DRAFT SCENARIO OUTLINES THE LEVEL OF THE CRISIS IN IN THE EXERCISE PLAY, THE POSSIBLE PROBLEMS FOR INTRODUCTION, AND THE POL-CONFIDENTIAL

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ITICAL RATIONALE FOR THE EXERCISE.

3. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP WILL TAKE PLACE ON FEBRUARY 4.

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SCENARIO FOR HILEX 7.BRUCE

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